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1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of THREE (3) months to respond to the Office Action dated 1/3/2006.

2. Applicant is ☒ a small entity; ☐ other than a small entity.

3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> five months*	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

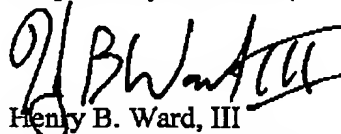
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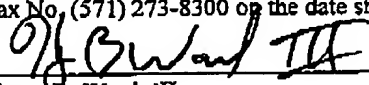
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